

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-3. (Cancelled)

4. (New) A method for treating a skin wound and for alleviating pain associated with a skin wound which consists of administering to an affected part of a patient having the skin wound an effective dose of a medicine containing as an active ingredient acetylsalicylic acid or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof, wherein said skin wound is selected from the group consisting of traumata, infectious disease in surgery, postoperative wound, temperature impairment, chemical impairment, radiation injury, and vessel and lymphangiopathy.

5. (New) The method according to claim 4, wherein the concentration of acetylsalicylic acid or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof contained in the medicine is 0.05% to 80% by weight.

6. (New) The method according to claim 5, wherein the concentration of acetylsalicylic acid or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof is 0.5% to 20% by weight.